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REMARKS

This is a preliminary amendment to U.S. Patent Application No. 09/873,842 filed on June 4, 2001. Applicants have amended the title of the application as indicated above.

It is submitted that no new matter has been added by the way of this amendment.

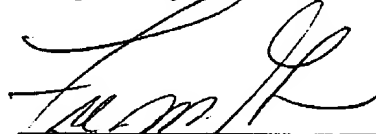
Accordingly, an early and favorable office action is hereby earnestly solicited.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is requested to telephone Applicants' undersigned attorney at the number provided below.

While no fee is believed due, if any fee is due, please use Deposit Account No. 02-0393.

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IN THE TITLE:

Please amend the title of the application as follows:

AUTOMATIC PIPETTE ~~IDENTIFICATION AND~~ DETIPPING